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Via ECFS
Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20554

**Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to
47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1**

Dear FCC,
I am a consumer who supports broadband competition.

For over a decade I've been using Sonic.net, a small local private firm which is a regional internet service provider in Santa Rosa, CA (near where I live in the San Francisco Bay area). Sonic.net provides more than 100,000 customers in about 125 California communities phone and internet service at a flat rate starting at \$40 a month. I appreciate that they provide competitive pricing for my combination of internet & phone service. And they have excellent customer service staff.

TO STAFF AT THE FCC, I'm asking that you listen to consumers like me. Please stop the US Telecom petition and save competition. I would not like to see critical components of the 1996 TELECOMMUNICATIONS ACT, result in disabling competition, repealing a rule granting competing phone and internet companies wholesale access to their copper-wire phone infrastructure, and eradicating consumer choice.

Thank you for listening and acting in the individual consumers' interests.

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